Dear Mr. Bates, 8/13/94

Thanks for your order, herewith.

Of the SAs in the JFK investigation the only Logan I recall was able to speak Spanish. I think he was in New Orleans. I think he is quite right to say that if he takes a look he should begin with the Report. (And I hope an open mind and willing to ask questions.) Amongst the recent reprints that by Walden is the actually official printing reprinted, probably beginning with photographing the pages. That will give him the pages cited in critical books and he'll know if it is full and complete.

If Hosty did not have a full set of hangups, beginning with political, he'd have been wise enough to say nothing. I believe that his as well as the other disciplining were unfair and unjustified and were merely to make it look like HQ had made no mistakes. He did get several sandals going because he was slackjawed. There is no doubt in my mind that in the initial moment of excitement he said to the Dallas police intelligence lieutenant substantially what he attested to. Essentially that they knew Oswald was capable of it but had no idea he would do it. He had reason to believe that from the note Oswald left for him. He had to deny it, of course. Hoover then ordered the SAV to get the Dallas COP to go on national TV an withdraw it. Once he did that Hoover broke off all relations with the DPD, including even training. That lasted for a while.

Later that same lieutenant, I think Jack Revill, needled another SA by telling him that the FBI did not interview a single one of the police in the motorcade. When that got to Kelley when he was director, he asked now many, and why had then not been interviewed. He was told 12 and they'd do some interviewing. They interviewed only two and they avoided what those two had already said that contradicted the official solution. One wrote a lengthy memoire the night of the assassination, upset beccause nobody had questioned him and he was closest to JFK on the right side, separated only by the other one mentioned above, Jim Chaney. He offered the memoire, it was not accepted and I have it. They knew what they were doing in not accepting it.

Revill precipitated that in retaliation, I believe, for being called a liar from coact to coast for telling the truth.

Hosty as much as said that there was some kind of internal conspiracy that caused the Oswald file to be taken from him the day of the assassination. That had to be done after his outburst to Revill about Oswald.

Before he was disciplined Hosty was praised by HQ for lying under oath to the Commission. He had to, of course, or the whole thing would have come apart then.

Logan did not exaggerate in telling you the investigation was with blinders. As you will see in my books.

All those men were in an unenviable position.

Sincerely,

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